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1. ☐ The amendment filed on 17 October 2005 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

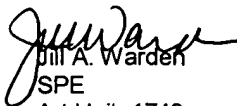
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☒ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

*37 CFR 1.312 was never intended to provide a way for the continued prosecution of an application after it has been passed for issue.*

*The proposed claim is not obviously allowable. More than a cursory review of the record is necessary and involves materially added work on the part of the Office, e.g., checking excessive editorial changes in the specification or claims.*

  
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